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The reply filed on April 8, 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s). Applicant's amendments to claims 12 and 18 do not overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112 second paragraph, made in the previous office action. In claim 12, the use of "first planar flange," "first flange," "second planar flange," "second flange," renders the claim vague and indefinite. Further, the limitations, "the first width narrowing away from the first arcuate end," and "the second width narrowing away from the second arcuate end," render the claim vague and indefinite since it is unclear what structural relationship is being claimed by the Applicant. Similarly, in claim 18, the limitation, "the first and second widths narrowing away from the first and second arcuate ends along the longitudinal axis," renders the claim vague and indefinite since it is unclear what structural relationship is being claimed by the Applicant. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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